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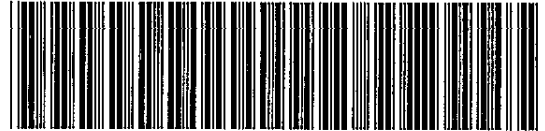
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JOHN P. GREELEY

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Louise Jackson  
Karon Beyer

FROM: Jack Greeley

DATE: December 26, 2002

RE: Filing Fees

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You should be receiving tomorrow from Mr. Bruce Ricca of the Florida Department of Financial Services, Articles of Incorporation for CenterState Interim Bank, and Articles of Merger relating to the merger of CenterState Bank of Florida and CenterState Interim Bank. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$148.75 which represents the filing fee for these two filings as follows:

1. Articles of Incorporation
    - \$35.00 filing fee.
    - Two certified copies (at \$8.75 each).
  2. Articles of Merger
    - \$70.00 filing fee (two parties).
    - Three certified copies (at \$8.75 each).
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If you have any questions regarding the foregoing, please call me at your convenience. Thank you for your assistance.

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Enclosure

Copy to: Bruce Ricca  
Florida Department of Financial Services

James J. Antal  
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer  
CenterState Banks of Florida, Inc.

Ernest S. Pinner, President and Chief Executive Officer  
CenterState Bank of Florida



ROBERT F. MILLIGAN  
COMPTROLLER OF FLORIDA

**OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER**  
DEPARTMENT OF BANKING AND FINANCE  
STATE OF FLORIDA  
TALLAHASSEE 32399-0350

**DATE:** December 27, 2002

**TO:** Karon Beyer, Department of State  
Division of Corporations - Bureau of Commercial Recordings

**FROM:** Bruce Ricca, Licensing and Chartering

**SUBJ:** CENTERSTATE INTERIM BANK  
Winter Haven, Polk County  
(Organization of Interim Bank)

Please file the attached Articles of Incorporation for the above-referenced institution, using THE CLOSING OF BUSINESS ON DECEMBER 31, 2002, as the effective date.

Please make the following distribution of certified copies:

- (1) One copy to: Bruce Ricca  
Division of Banking  
101 East Gaines Street  
Fletcher Building, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0350
- (2) Two copies to: Mr. John P. Greeley  
Smith Mackinnon, P. A.  
Post Office Box 2254  
Orlando, Florida 32802-2254

Also attached is a check that represents payment of the filing fees, charter tax and certified copies. If you have any questions, please call 410-9528.

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
CENTERSTATE INTERIM BANK**

The undersigned, acting as directors for the purpose of forming a corporation under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Florida, adopt the following Articles of Incorporation.

**ARTICLE I**

The name of the corporation shall be CenterState Interim Bank and its initial place of business shall be 1101 First Street South, Winter Haven, Florida 33880.

**ARTICLE II**

This corporation shall be organized as a successor institution in accordance with Section 658.40(4), Florida Statutes.

**ARTICLE III**

The total number of shares authorized to be issued by the corporation shall be one (1) share. Such share shall be of a single class and shall have a par value of \$1.00 per share. The corporation shall begin business with at least \$1.00 in paid-in common capital stock to be divided into one (1) share. The amount of surplus with which the corporation shall begin business shall not be less than \$9.00, all of which (capital stock and surplus) shall be paid in cash.

**ARTICLE IV**

The term for which said corporation shall exist shall be one (1) year.

**ARTICLE V**

The number of directors shall not be fewer than five (5). The names and street addresses of the first directors of the corporation are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Street Address</u>
G. Robert Blanchard, Jr.	1414 Swann Avenue, Suite 201, Tampa, FL 33606
George Carefoot	Post Office Box 188, Haines City, Florida 33845
Terry W. Donley	2235 Crump Road, Winter Haven, Florida 33881
Frank M. Foster, Jr.	Post Office Box 2762, Lakeland, FL 33806
Timothy A. Irby	Post Office Box 192, Winter Haven, FL 33883
Lawrence W. Maxwell	Post Office Box 5252, Lakeland, FL 33807
Thomas E. Oakley	Post Office Box 4170, Lake Wales, FL 33859

Ernest S. Pinner  
William C. Reynolds  
Rodney M. Surrency  
James H. White

Post Office Box 9090, Winter Haven, FL 33883  
Post Office Box One, Winter Haven, FL 33884  
Post Office Box 2999, Winter Haven, FL 33883  
Post Office Box 1484, Haines City, FL 33845-1484

#### ARTICLE VI

The name and street address of the person signing these Articles of Incorporation as incorporator is Ernest S. Pinner, Post Office Box 9090, Winter Haven, FL 33883.

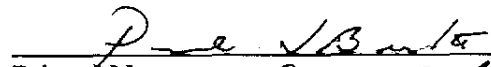
In witness of the foregoing, the undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation declaring and certifying that the facts stated herein are true, and hereby subscribe thereto and hereunto set his hand and seal this 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, A.D. 2002.



Ernest S. Pinner

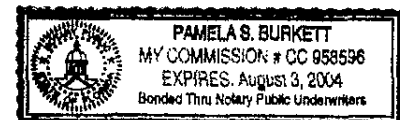
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COUNTY OF POLK     )

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2002, by Ernest S. Pinner.

  
Printed Name: Pamela S. Burkett  
Notary Public - State of Florida at Large

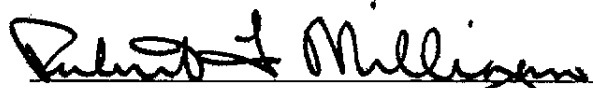
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**APPROVAL**

Approved by the Department of Banking and Finance this 16<sup>TH</sup> day of OCTOBER,  
2002.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert J. Milligan", written over a horizontal line.

Comptroller of the State of Florida and Head of the  
Department of Banking and Finance

Tallahassee, Florida